## REMARKS

In the Amendemnt of November 26, 2003, the amendments to claim 16 included a strikethrough line passing through the word "method". This was inadvertent, not intentional, and leaves claim 16 without a word that is clearly necessary.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to approve the re-insertion of the word "method" into claim 16, to restore claim 16 to full, properly allowable condition.

Respectfully submitted,

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